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- 1) New Power of Attorney by Merck & Co., Inc.
- 2) Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §3.73 (b) by Merck & Co., Inc.
- 3) New Power of Attorney by Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.

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4) Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §3.73 (b) by Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.

If there are any questions concerning this communication, please feel free to contact the undersigned attorney.

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